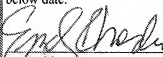


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Dear Sir/Madam:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed September 15, 2008 to further highlight reasons why the application is in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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